# Overview of the ADOT Quiet Pavement Program

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## Today's Objective

- Introduce ADOT's Quiet Pavement Pilot Program for site 2 receivers
- Outline the data collection procedures
- Display reduction results





## **Project Objectives**

- Ascertain effectiveness of ARFC as noise mitigation strategy over time
- Develop methodology for project
- Establish protocol for data collection
- Select sites along 18 segments
- Conduct pre- and post-overlay monitoring
- Determine reduction in sound level
- Compile findings in report (in progress)





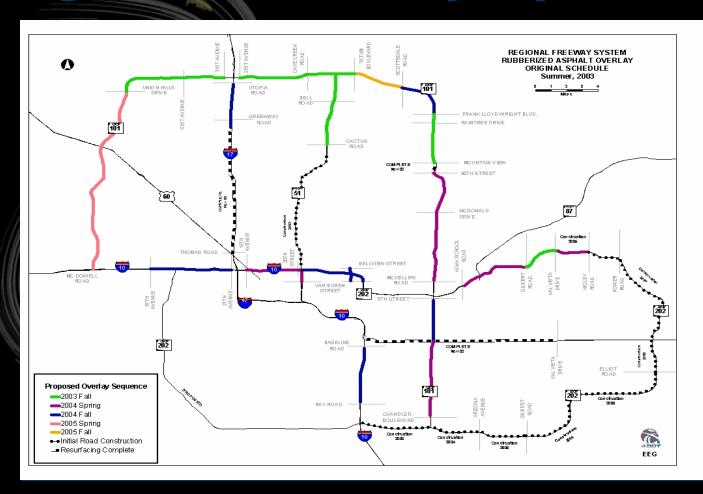
## **Project Area**

- Throughout the Phoenix Metropolitan area within Maricopa County
- Covers approximately 115 miles of freeway
- Spans across several cities (Phoenix, Scottsdale, Glendale, Mesa, Tempe, Chandler)





## Regional Freeway System







## Methodology

 "Can rubberized asphalt provide a 4dB reduction in neighborhoods?"

If so...

 "Can this reduction be sustained over a period of time?"

And if so...

For how long?





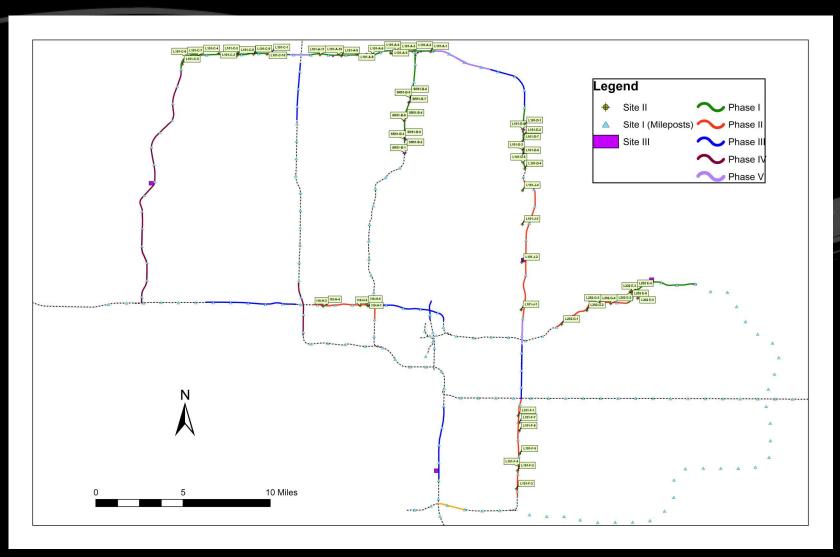
### Site Selection

- Representative of residential land uses
- Availability of repeat monitoring
- Varying conditions:
  - With and without intervening sound walls
  - Elevated and depressed segments
  - Public facilities (parks, recreation areas)
- When possible residential property was selected





### **Site 2 Receiver Locations**







## Monitoring

- 24-hour readings (1 per segment)
- Used loudest hour(s)
- 3 consecutive 20-minute readings at each site
- Weather conditions monitored
- Traffic video for counts and speed



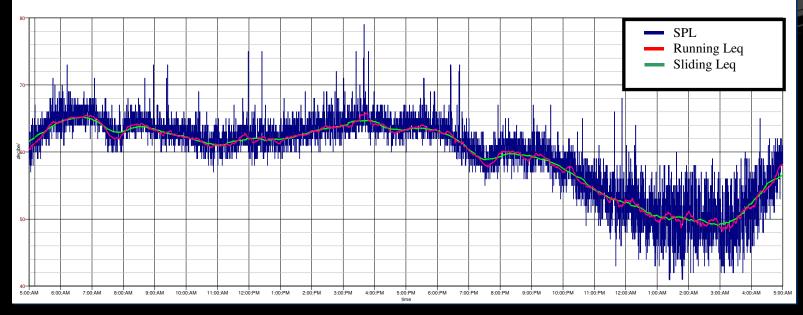


## 24 Hour Reading in DNA Software

#### **ARFC Overlay Pilot Program**

24-Hour Noise Monitoring September 23, 2003 to September 24, 2003

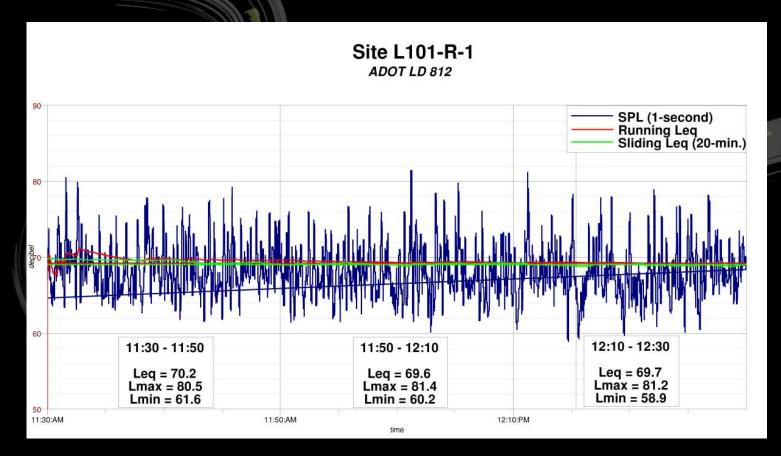
L101 Pima Freeway - At Cholla Street







## 1 Hour Reading in DNA Software







## **Traffic Counts**

#### Traffic Counts for L101-A-2-Post

#### Westbound Traffic

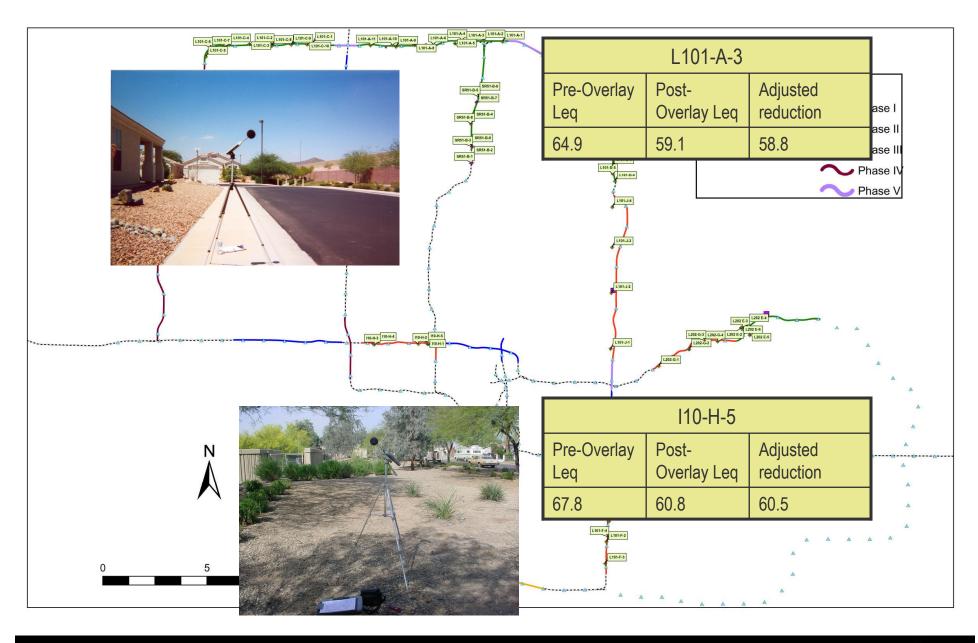
Time	Cars	Motorcycles	2-Axel	3-Axel
0-20 min.	685	0	36	25
20-40 min	699	2	46	17
40-60 min	738	2	40	21

#### Eastbound Traffic

Time		Cars			Motorcycle	S		2-Axel			3-Axel	
0-20 min.	1101 1053	Off-Ramp 338	771 1391	1101 3	Off-Ramp	<i>TTL</i> 3	<i>L101</i> 51	Off-Ramp 15	<i>TTL</i> 66	1101 19	Off-Ramp 4	771 23
20-40 min	1071	355	1 432	4	0	4	50	16	66	16	4	20
40-60 min	1033	331	1364	2	0	2	52	15	67	16	4	20











### Data Analysis/Reduction

Vehicle equivalents used to compare pre and post readings

Equivalent Vehicles Based on TNM REMELs**									
NUMBER OF EQUIVALENT VEHICLES									
Speed km/h (mph)	1 Heavy Truck = 1 medium truck = 1 Automobile =								
56 (35)	19.1	7.1	1						
64 (40)	15.1	5.8	1						
72 (45)	12.9	5.0	1						
80 (50)	11.5	4.5	1						
88.5 (55)	10.4	4.1	1						
97 (60)	9.6	3.7	1						
105 (65)	8.9	3.5	1						
113 (70)	8.3	3.2	1						

<sup>\*\*</sup> Based on FHWA Traffic Noise Model (TNM) Reference Energy Mean Emission Levels and vehicle definitions in FHWA-PD-96-008, DOT-VNTSC-FHWA-96-2.





## Vehicle Equivalents Calculation Sheet

Site Name:	SR101-A-1		T				Т			
						CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY OF				
Before Noise Level	Leq (1)	74.6								
After Noise Level	Leq (2)	69.8								
								65 mph		
Before		EB		WB		Total		Equiv		V <sub>E</sub>
(Measurement 1)	Cars	6652	+		=	6652	*	1	=	6652
	MT	241	+		=	241	*	3.5	=	843.5
	HT	166	+		=	166	*	8.9	=	1477.4
								Total V <sub>E</sub> (1)	=	8973
								65 mph		V-III OANYON III II I
After		EB		WB		Total		Equiv		$V_{\rm E}$
(Measurement 2)	Cars	6944	+		=	6944	*	1	=	6944
	MT	227	+		=	241	*	3.5	=	794.5
	HT	253	+		=	166	*	8.9	=	2251.7
								Total V <sub>E</sub> (2)	=	9990
Correction										
Formulas:										
$C=10Log_{10}[V_E(1)/V_E(2)]$				Leq(2N)=Leq(2)+c		+ c				
c = -0.5				Leq(2N) = 69.3						
Comparison										
Before $[Leq(1)] = 74.6$										
After [Leq $(2N) = 69.3$									100000	
Difference =	5.3									
After noise level at SR101-A-1 is 5.3 decibels lower than "Before" Noise Level.										





## Findings to Date

- Average reduction exceeds 4dB
- Public reaction is favorable toward rubberized asphalt in the Phoenix area

Reduction to Date (in decibels)						
Phase 1	4.9					
Phase 2	5.6					
Overall	5.3					









